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### APPROVAL OF CLOSURE REPORT FOR UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK (UST) 765A AND OIL WATER SEPARATOR (OWS) 765B, FORMER MARINE CORPS AIR STATION (MCAS) EL TORO

Dear Mr. Piszkin:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has reviewed the subject document dated October 2, 2003, prepared by IT Corporation for Naval Facilities Engineering Command. UST 765A and OWS 765B were removed on December 14, 1998 and the closure report summarizes the results of additional soil samples collected in August 2003. The samples were analyzed for volatile organic compounds (VOCs), total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) as gasoline, TPH as diesel, and metals from the shallow soil borings.

UST 765A and OWS 765B (also referenced as Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 217 and SWMU 218 located near the intersection of West Marine Way and 7<sup>th</sup> Street in the northeast quadrant of the Station) were identified during the development of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Facility Assessment (RFA) prepared for El Toro. UST 765A was a 185-gallon steel tank used to store waste oil residue received from OWS 765B (a 100-gallon capacity steel tank).

Based on the review of this closure report and supplemental information received on November 10, 2003, we agree with the Navy's recommendation of no further action for UST 765A/OWS 765B. Also, the units should be identified as "closed" and suitable for residential uses in the next Base Realignment Closure Business Plan update.

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If you have any question, please call me at (714) 484-5419.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tayseer Mahmoud', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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